

Maine Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

MINUTES
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Governor, State of Maine

Bartlett H. Stoodley, Chair
Edwin P. Chester, Esq. Vice Chair

I. Roll Call:

Present: Richard Brown, Ed Chester, Esq., Nickole DeMerritt, Amber Heikkinen, Carla Knapp, Hon. Charles LaVerdiere, Sheriff Randall A. Liberty, Margaret Longworth, Pender Makin, Tessa Mosher, Jonathan J. Shapiro, JJAG Chair Bartlett Stoodley, Patrick Walsh

Absent: Kamden Berry, Mark Boger, Abby Comee-McCourt, Dalene Dutton, Joseph Fitzpatrick, James Foss, Jacinda Goodwin, Christian Muhitira, Dan Nichols, Lisa Sandy, Christine Thibeault, Esq., Dr. Lindsey Tweed, Paul Vestal

Staff: Kathryn McGloin, Juvenile Justice Specialist, Ryan Andersen, Compliance Monitor, Jason Carey, Staff Assistant

The JJAG Meeting was called to order by Barry Stoodley, Chair, at 9:14 A.M. and introductions were held.

Barry noted that some JJAG members simply cannot attend on Wednesday meetings so we will look for another potential day to meet.

II. Minutes:

The minutes for the December 4, 2013 JJAG meeting were approved.

Motion: To approve the December 4, 2013 Minutes

Moved: Sheriff Randall Liberty/Richard Brown

Action: Approved

III. Committee Meetings:

Committees were provided the Work Plan developed at the September training with Dr. Hutchinson and meet for two hours.

Committees will be the engine of the JJAG. With the JJAG's full Group meetings held quarterly committees will meet in the off months or as needed. Committees may invite non-member experts, special guests, and other JJAG members as needed to help with their work.

Committee Co-chairs will make sure minutes are kept. Minutes will be received by the committee and then shared with all JJAG members.

***Break for committee meetings** 9:48 a.m. resume at 11:00

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IV. Committee Reports:

Training & Education – The Committee suggests partnering with various agencies already having an established position and again offering trainings with Dr. Greene and Karen Williams.

Marketing & Outreach – The Committee defined seven objectives; plans to develop a quarterly report/newsletter and other print goods directed to targeted audiences; Media outreach to TV and radio. Print material available in several languages.

DMC – The Committee discussed a potential RFP for a DMC Coordinator; noted that the position of DMC Coordinator may not be appropriate for an individual but perhaps an institution/organization that could process data; provide outreach and other technical operations.

Youth Engagement – No committee members in attendance.

System Improvement – Bring in people who could provide advice. Identify a number of statewide groups that we could use as models. Create some middle ground options for justices to work with. Engage communities to help.

Next step: Two hour Technical Assistance with Dr. Hutchinson for each committee; times to be determined

Each member of the JJAG will be part of a committee.

V. JJAG Matters – Chair, Staff, etc.:

Vote on budget - Kathryn McGloin stated that during the recent JJ Specialists conference call the OJJDP indicated that the President has signed the Omnibus bill. The OJJDP believes the minimum allocation states will receive \$600,000 in the 2014 Title II Formula Grant. There is no Title V Community Delinquency Prevention Grant and all of the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) has been earmarked. There are opportunities for funding through the Department of Education and Department of Correction's work together under school safety. DOE would be the applicant.

The JJAG's executive committee recommends to the JJAG that funding to subgrantees for 2014 be at 50%.

Ned notes that the JJAG may need to revisit its previous budgetary decisions based on the outcome of the actual funding for 2014.

Motion: To approve funding the existing programs at 50% per recommendation of the JJAG's executive committee.

Moved: Sheriff Randall Liberty/Margaret Longworth

Action: Approved

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Dalene is our representative to FACJJ. She strongly encourages that she have two or three alternates available in the case that she can't make a meeting. Anyone interested should contact her by email.

Kathryn has been in discussion with OJJDP, VT, NH and ME on a three state conference/training with Dr. Hutchinson. The Executive Committee will discuss. We will have a collective strategic discussion between Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

A short Google Calendar presentation was delivered detailing some of its potential use for the JJAG. It would allow calendar and event sharing between JJAG members at no cost to the JJAG.

IX. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

The next meeting will be February 26, 2013 at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.